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THREE CENTS

High Graduation

Another class of Seniors have graduated from the High School receiving all the instruction that the town can bestow and they will go out now in the world to seek for higher education or blaze a path in other activities. Town Hall was well filled Friday evening, June 15, with parents and friends of the Seniors to enjoy the program and to hear Dr. H. Robinson Shepherd of Harvard University in a most enlightening address. The seniors entered the hall in procession, there was singing of the National anthem and the invocation and benediction was by the Rev. Joseph W. Reeves. There was two selections by the Glee Club, a violin solo by George Phelps and a trombone solo by Neil Churchill. June C. Cota gave an essay, "Blessings in Disguise" and Rua L. Jones spoke on the topic, "In Ourselves Our Future Lies," both girls being high ranking students.

Diplomas were presented by Supt. Robert N. Taylor to the following class members: June Carol Cota and Rua Louise Jones, graduating with high honors; Ralph Wilcox Bentley, Paul Thomas Gorzocski, U. S. Navy and Norma Eileen Leach graduating with honor; Elizabeth Gertrude Browning, Barbara Stearns Chamberlain, Neil Winston Churchill, Helen Gladys Kozlowski, George Alfred Phelps, and William Ashley Shattuck, Jr.

Class officers for the year have been: June C. Cota, president; William A. Shattuck, Jr., vice-president; Norma E. Leach, secretary, and Rua L. Jones, treasurer. Eugene Hutchinson was class marshal.

Principal Chester R. Parker made the following awards: Becker College award for proficiency in bookkeeping to Marilyn Dresser; the Daughters of the American Revolution medal for good citizenship to Norma Leach; the Washington and Franklin medal for outstanding work in United States history to Rua Jones; and Pro Merito pins to Helen Andrew and Kenneth Walker. Mrs. Esther Leonard, vice-president, presented alumni prizes to Lois Stearns, sophomore and to Ralph Lyons, freshman.

Fire At Sherman Home

The fire department was called out just before midnight Wednesday evening, the 13th, for a destructive blaze at the home of Dr. and Mrs. C. T. Sherman on Glenwood Avenue. The family was aroused by the smell of smoke which came from the kitchen and it was discovered that the fire had originated about the refrigerator and communicated to the walls and ceiling. The kitchen was badly burned out and water and smoke did damage to other parts of the house which was also occupied by the Shermans' daughter, Mrs. Walker and her son and also by Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Smolen. The loss is covered by insurance.

New Family Member

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Rikert, Jr., of 357 Lincoln Avenue, Orange, N. J., announce the birth of a son, David Carroll, on Friday, May 25. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Rikert of Mount Hermon, Rev. and Mrs. F. C. Wilson of Ipswich and great-grandparents are Mrs. E. B. Babson and Mrs. Irving Rikert of Mount Hermon; Mrs. F. A. Wilson of this town and Rear Admiral L. E. Gregory USN Ret. of Seattle, Wash.

Unitarian Women Active

The Women's Alliance of the Unitarian Church was entertained at the home of Mrs. Thomas Parker on Main Street Thursday afternoon, June 14 and Mrs. Joseph Field was assisting hostess. The guest speaker for the session was Mrs. Edward McGlenen of Ware, district director of the various Alliance organizations. Mrs. Oler Doolittle presided and introduced the speaker. Refreshments were served and a social hour followed.

Promotion For Center

Promotion exercises for the pupils of Center School were held in the Town Hall Tuesday evening, June 12, with appropriate exercises. The program began with the salute to the flag, the singing of the National anthem, invocation by Rev. Mr. Reeves and the class welcome by Manuel Mello. A musical play was provided by the class, written by Mrs. George Leonard, which was very entertaining. After the special awards were made, and certificates given the class song was rendered and the meeting closed with the benediction. The class motto is "Knowledge aids success" and the colors, blue and white. Clifford Holton, Janet Spencer and Edgar Parker were class marshalls. Decorations were most attractive of ferns and flowers.

The promotion certificates were presented by Supt. Robert N. Taylor to the class: Vera Caroline Allen, Eva Maria Amann, Marion Cora Andrew, Wayne Russell Billings, Joseph Stanley Bilmon, Jr., Paul Everett Chamberlain, Jr., Albert Fred Clough, Alice Beatrice Cota, John Stanley Dembek, Cleson, Mills Field, Jr., Lois Marie Gibson, Alan John Gilmore, Barbara Jean Holton, Clifford Philip Holton, Donald William Hutchinson, Sally Kirk, Mary Elizabeth Laplante, Ralph Alexander Mankowsky, Ann McNeil, Emmanuel Joseph Mello, Rita Marie Teresa Mello, Shirley Mae Miller, Irwin Milton Severance, Jr., Sinclair Neill Sutherland, Richard Eugene Whitney, Warren Ernest Whitney, Joan Elizabeth Williams and Mary Ann Wozniak.

Class officers for the year have been Manuel Mello, president; Donald Hutchinson, vice-president, and Ann McNeil, secretary-treasurer.

George M. Leonard is principal of the Center School.

Gave Piano Recital

Friday evening, June 8, in Social Hall at Mount Hermon, some 45 pupils in piano study gave a most entertaining program in a recital that won constant applause. They were pupils of Leon Dunnell of this town and they came from Gill and Bernardston as well as from Hermon and Northfield. Surely they displayed their ability and reflected credit upon their teacher. Mr. Dunnell had as his special guest, Miss Brian Sturm of Boston who rendered several numbers much to the satisfaction of the large audience.

Resigns Mail Carrier

Charles F. Slate, who has held the contract with the Postoffice Department, for the transportation of the mails between the railroad station and the East Northfield and Northfield Postoffices for the past ten years, has resigned effective July 15th. He has given a satisfactory service. The work is now offered for bidding and anyone interested may have full information from Postmaster Quinlan of the Northfield Postoffice who will receive sealed bids as per the advertisement elsewhere in these columns.

He Says Thank You

Mr. Melvin A. Morgan, who sometime ago purchased the former IGA Store from Luman A. Barber, has conducted the same as an independent grocery and market and having received a very satisfactory patronage, desires to thank the local residents and especially the summer sojourners for their favors and consideration. Everything displayed on the shelves, including the fruits, vegetables and meats offered will be of the best quality and at the most reasonable prices consistent with OPA regulations. He hopes for a continuance of future pleasant relations.

Rev. J. Glover Johnson, chaplain of Mount Hermon School, conducted the services at the Congregational Church in Ashfield Sunday, June 17.

Will Begin To Serve



A. GORDON MOODY

A big task is ahead for the Massachusetts Hotel Association and at its meeting in Springfield on the 18th, A. Gordon Moody, manager of the Northfield Hotel recently elected its president, presided for the first time. The problems of housing and feeding the summer guests as well as the regular patrons was given consideration and the difficulties squarely faced. Not only housing and feeding must be solved but the problems of labor and travel restrictions present some serious difficulties. However, Mr. Moody was optimistic and with the members of the association, who came from all parts of the state, all voiced the hope

Unitarian Church Calls

Rev. Hazel Rogers Gredler, who has served for eight years as pastor of the Unitarian Church at Norton, has accepted the call of the local Unitarian Church to become its minister on September 1st. Mrs. Gredler is a native of Worcester. She received her AB degree at Wheaton College and her MA degree at Cornell University. Later she graduated from the Meadville Theological School in Chicago. She was ordained at the First Parish Church in Leicester which she served for 14 years as summer pastor. She has three sons, Charles R. Gredler USAAF now in the Pacific area, Gilbert R. Gredler with the American Field Service in Italy and David E. Gredler, recently graduated at Deerfield Academy and accepted for the Navy.

that the problems can be solved. It is expected that the association will engage a full-time executive secretary. The new association president, Mr. Moody, is backed by experience and ability and has a creditable record in the success of the Northfield Hotel. He is the third Moody to direct the business of the Northfield Hotel. In 1888 Dwight L. Moody built the hotel to care for his guests who visited the schools and conferences. In 1890 he laid the burden of its management upon his nephew, Ambert G. Moody, who served well for 43 years and eleven years ago passed on its responsibilities to A. Gordon Moody, his son.

To Open Museum

The Northfield Historical Society will open its museum building on Pine Street on Sunday, June 24, from 3 to 5 o'clock when the public is cordially invited, with admission free, to call and view the exhibits. Many new showings will be exhibited for the first time, which have been added by gifts and loans from friends. Custodian Joseph R. Colton will be in charge and a committee will extend a welcoming hand.

War Fund Chairman

For the third successive year, the National War Fund, which represents 22 agencies, including USO, will conduct throughout the nation to secure \$115,000,000 during the month of October. This state has been quite fully organized and Harold S. Fuller is state chairman. The quota for this state is \$4,400,000 which is the same as last year. The work of the campaign will be carried on by the state Council with all departments fully organized and staffed. Publicity will be directed by Francis T. Baldwin of Cambridge. Dr. Roswell G. Ham of Mount Holyoke College will be in charge of the area of Western Massachusetts and now it is announced that Arthur D. Platt, assistant headmaster of Mount Hermon School, has been appointed a district chairman, which will include Greenfield, Montague, Gill, Northfield, Bernardston and Leyden. A local committee will again probably be named to make solicitations.



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Fred E. Stone Dies

Death came suddenly to Fred Emerson Stone of Warwick Avenue Tuesday night, June 12, at his home at the age of 52 years. He was born December 12, 1892, in South Vernon, the son of Calvin J. and Rachel (Alexander) Stone and after his marriage came to Northfield to reside. His wife was the former Lura Butterick of Vernon whom he married in 1920. Many friends will mourn his loss. Surviving beside his wife are four children: Niles E. Stone AC stationed at Amerillo, Texas; Pvt. Carl Stone in Italy with an ambulance corps. Fred Stone, Jr., and Isabel L. Stone at home; one brother, William Stone of Vernon, and three sisters, Ada, wife of Warren Shine of Concord, N. H., Anna, wife of Bert Willey of East Northfield, and Mabel, wife of Eastman Dodge of Buckland, Mass.

PARAMOUNT

BRATTLEBORO

Sun.-Tues., June 24-26

DILLINGER

Lawrence Tierney, Elisha Cook Jr.

Wed.-Thurs., June 27-28

SCARED STIFF

Jack Haley Ann Savage

Fri.-Sat., June 29-30

DOCKS OF NEW YORK

The East Side Kids

Mrs. Adele Ropes Dies

After an illness of six months, Mrs. Adele Zimmermann Ropes passed in death at her home in Coral Gables, Fla., on Thursday, June 7th. She was a daughter of Alphonse W. and Gertrude Moody Zimmermann and was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., in 1895. She attended the Northfield Seminary for one year and was graduated from Berkeley Institute of Brooklyn. She married Lawrence G. Ropes in 1925 and lived in Coral Gables for 12 years, where she made a home for her stepsons, Paul Chapman Ropes, a lieutenant in the U. S. Navy stationed at Guam and Lawrence Gardner Ropes, Jr., a captain stationed in France.

Mrs. Ropes leaves two daughters, Joan, a student at Miami University and Helen at home. Surviving also are three sisters, Miss Hortense Zimmermann of Brooklyn, Mrs. F. G. Barber of Arlington, Va., and Mrs. J. F. Pexton of Bronxville, N. Y. She was a niece of Mrs. F. D. Buck of this town. Mrs. Ropes was highly respected and loved and for many years spent her summers at her cottage on Rustic Ridge.

Funeral services were held in Miami with the Rev. T. G. Mongham, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. The body was brought to Northfield for burial in Center Cemetery where services were conducted by Rev. Joseph W. Reeves and Rev. Leonard Holton of Springfield. Mrs. Ropes was a member of the First Dutch Reformed Church of Brooklyn and during her residence there was active in its various departments of Christian work.

Prof. and Mrs. Lewis Hodous of Hartford, Ct., have moved into the house which they purchased last year from Mrs. William W. Coe, on Main Street. A cordial welcome will be given them by our citizens. Prof. Hodous was an instructor at the Hartford Theological Seminary and is now retired.

Town Topics

The Order of the Eastern Star conducted a very successful dance at the Town Hall Monday evening, the 11th. The hall was beautifully decorated with cut flowers from the gardens of friends about town. Music was by Shattuck.

The cottage on Rustic Ridge belonging to the late Rev. Phillip T. Phelps has passed into possession of Mr. and Mrs. George B. Scholton of Neshanic, N. J., and they recently spent a few days here putting the cottage in readiness for occupancy.

The town of Vernon has gone over the top on the Seventh War Loan and exceeded its quota of \$6200.

Miss Victoria Freeman of the faculty of the School for Girls will have a two-year leave of absence during which time she will study at the Hartford Theological Seminary.

Miss Hazel Harper of the New York City Mission is in town arranging for the opening of Virginia Camp. Plans provide for the care of four groups this summer coming for two weeks' visit each. However, no official announcement has been made.

Mrs. William R. Moody is in New York City this week for several days' stay with friends.

Miss Margaret Chedister of Albany, N. Y., who will become director of religious education with the Second Congregational Church of Greenfield, is a graduate of Northfield Seminary.

The tax rate of Greenfield for this year remains the same as last year, \$26.80 per thousand. Wendell announces its rate to be \$39 or \$3 more than last year.

Officials of the town have just received a copy of the 1944 annual report of the County Commissioners. It is well printed and conveys a fund of information regarding the conduct of our county government, which involves receipts and expenditures of \$382,379.37. There is a balance on hand of \$79,808.85.

Town Topics

Many friends here will remember Rev. James T. Cleland, associate professor of religion at Amherst College, who has frequently spoken in Northfield and Mount Hermon. He has resigned in order to become the preacher and member of the faculty at Duke University.

A heavy hail storm, out of season, struck Greenfield and other sections of the county on Friday, June 8th, doing considerable damage. However, it missed Northfield and we had rain.

Master Sergt. William G. Hilliard of the field artillery with the First Army has sent information to his father, William M. Hilliard of West Northfield, that he has been wounded and is in a hospital in Germany for treatment. He has been in the army nearly five years and is now with the troops under General Hodges.

Pvt. Leland Lawrence is stationed in the Alps in Italy and has seen service. His brother, Charles Lawrence, is at Camp Crowder, Mo., and both are sons of Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Lawrence of West Northfield.

The name of William Jay Peck was inadvertently omitted from the list of those Mount Hermon students, published recently, who were received into the Cum Laude Society during the Commencement period.

Rev. and Mrs. Ellis E. Jones, who have occupied one of the missionary houses on Main Street while Mr. Jones was teaching at Mount Hermon, have moved back to the parsonage at Vernon of the Union Church of which he is pastor.

Children's Sunday was appropriately observed at the Unitarian Church Sunday, May 10, with the services and program in charge of the young people.

Again you must purchase a Federal auto tax stamp for this year to be affixed to your auto by July 1st. They cost \$5 and may be had at any Post office.

Town Topics

Dr. and Mrs. F. Wilton Dean are leaving next week on a cruise up the St. Lawrence and Saguenay rivers.

Miss Ruth V. McEwan S2c, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George McEwan, has just completed her course of training at Hunter College with the WAVES and has been ordered to report for special training at Atlanta, Ga. Friends are interested in her progress.

Mr. and Mrs. Spurgeon Gage of Orlando, Fla., have arrived to spend the season at their summer cottage on the Winchester Road. They had a successful orange season in the Southland.

Mrs. Julia Ennis, who has spent the winter with her daughter and husband, the Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Edmunds in Niles, O., has returned to her home in South Vernon to spend the summer.

Clarence H. and Margaret E. Spalding of this town have bought from the Northfield Schools a ten-acre tract of woodland on the east side of Winchester Road.

A good sized elm tree near the highway on the grounds of Mrs. H. F. Randolph on Main Street was shattered by lightning during the severe electrical storm on Friday evening, the 15th.

Miss Fanny Stockbridge of Greenway, Va., is occupying her home on Highland Avenue for the summer.

Certificates for five pounds of sugar per person for canning purposes have been issued to applicants by the local rationing board. The sugar must be used for canning only.

Martha E. Bollermann of Bayside, N. Y., has arrived on the Ridge and will spend the summer at Rose Cottage with her sister, Mrs. Charles Ohlandt. Mr. Ohlandt died at his home last November and will be missed by many friends here. Miss Bollermann's cottage, "The Maples" will remain closed.

LATCHIS MEMORIAL BRATTLEBORO AUDITORIUM

2:15 6:30 8:30

Fri.-Sat. June 22-23

HORN BLOWS AT MIDNIGHT

Jack Benny Alexis Smith

Sun.-Tues. June 24-26

A ROYAL SCANDAL

Tallulah Bankhead

Anne Baxter William Eythe

Wed.-Thurs. June 27-29

SONG OF BERNADETTE

Jennifer Jones William Eythe

Fri.-Sat. June 22-23

SWING OUT SISTER

Rod Cameron Frances Raeburn

Sun.-Mon. June 24-25

Drums Along The Mohawk

Claudette Colbert, Henry Fonda

Tues. June 26

MADE FOR EACH OTHER

Wed.-Thurs. June 27-28

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Laird Cregar Linda Darnell

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					V 2	W 2	X 2	Y 2	Z 2	THRU SEPT. 30
Next stamps become good in July										
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